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Class of 2020

The Wabash Plain Dealer is launching an interactive campaign to celebrate our Wabash County seniors! With COVID-19 disrupting graduation plans and daily life for our students, we want to do something special to commemorate their hard work and memories. We are posting photo challenges at www.facebook.com/wabashpd and the best submissions will be featured on our website and in a special section published at the end of the school year. Submit your favorite memories to news@wabashplaindealer.com or post your memories and photos to your social media page using the hashtag #WCClassof2020 to participate.

Notice to readers

To reduce risks to our employees and community, the Wabash Plain Dealer is closed to the public until further notice. Payments may be dropped in the mail slot or called in. For news, call 260-225-4662 or email news@wabashplaindealer.com. For advertising, call 260-225-4947 or email tcampbell@pmginnmi.com. For circulation and customer support, call 260-563-2131. To bring you the most accurate information about the evolving COVID-19 pandemic, the Wabash Plain Dealer has decided to prioritize news content over sports stories since sporting events are canceled for the time being. The Wabash Plain Dealer is committed to providing the best product to its customers and appreciates the support during this time. Thank you.

Gov. Holcomb announces stages of reopening plan

Hoosiers 65 and over and those with high-risk health conditions – who are the most vulnerable to the coronavirus – should remain at home. Essential travel restrictions are lifted, and social gatherings of up to 25 people are permitted following the CDC's social distancing guidelines. The remaining manufacturers, industrial and other infrastructure operations that had not been considered essential may open. Hoosiers who can work from home are encouraged to continue to do so. Retail and commercial businesses may open at 50 percent capacity. Examples include apparel, furniture, jewelry and liquor stores

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Number of Peabody residents testing positive for COVID-19 is now at five

ISDH adds three positive Wabash County cases; total now stands at 67

By ROB BURGESS

Wabash Plain Dealer Editor

On Tuesday, the Indiana State Department of Health (ISDH) added three more positive cases of COVID-19 to Wabash County's

count. This brings the local total to 67.

The ISDH still reports two local deaths and 398 total tests.

Meanwhile, the Peabody Retirement Community in North Manchester has reported an additional three positive cases among its residents.

Testing continues at Peabody

In response to a Plain Dealer request Tuesday, Rod Craft, executive

director of the Peabody Retirement Community in North Manchester, stated they have tested 163 residents and five have had positive test results.

This is up from last week when two residents had tested positive.

Craft stated the number of employees who have tested positive still stands at 61.

Craft stated they have proactively tested their more than 350 employees and 273 residents for COVID-19.

"Only residents who have granted consent will be tested. Proactively testing employees and residents allows us to see if there is someone who might be positive but asymptomatic. We believe early identification of the virus will help us best protect our entire community," he stated.

Craft stated they began testing employees Tuesday, April 21.

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Provided photos

In April 2019, Second Harvest served 719 Wabash County households and 1,486 individuals. In April 2020, they served 1,389 Wabash County households and 3,468 individuals.

Food bank seeing double last year's need in Wabash County

Second Harvest reports a significant increase in those seeking assistance locally

By ROB BURGESS

Wabash Plain Dealer Editor

The ranks of those who are food insecure have grown exponentially in the time of COVID-19 and nowhere is that more obvious than in the numbers of those seeking assistance from local food banks.

On Friday, Second Harvest Food Bank of East Central Indiana held a tailgate distribution event at Living Well in Wabash County.

In response to a Plain Dealer request Monday, Robby Tompkins, Second Harvest's director of philanthropy, stated 580 households and



On Friday, 580 households and 1,821 individuals came through the tailgate at Living Well in Wabash County.

1,821 individuals came through the tailgate that day.

To show the year-over-year growth in need, Tompkins provided a comparison between April 2019 and April 2020 "to show the difference that this is having on the

need."

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DOR announces additional filing and payment extensions

These dates are in addition to those announced March 19

STAFF REPORT

The Indiana Department of Revenue (DOR) has announced additional extensions for the filing and payment of certain individual and corporate tax returns to provide further relief during the COVID-19 health crisis, according to a press release.

These extensions are in addition to the ones announced on March 19.

In conjunction with the

additional federal extensions provided by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) under Notice 2020-23, DOR has extended the following Indiana deadlines:

■ Individual estimated payments originally due on June 15, are now due on or before July 15.

■ The deadline for filing a claim for refund of income tax set to expire between April 1 and July 14 is now extended to July 15 (including refunds of withholding or estimated tax paid in 2016).

■ Corporate estimated payments due April 20, May 20 or June 22 are now due on or before July 15.

■ The corporate tax

returns listed below due May 15, June 15 or July 15 are now due Aug. 17. This includes forms IT-20, IT-41, IT-65, IT-20S, FIT-20, IT-6WTH and URT-1.

For more information, visit dor.in.gov/7078.htm.

Customers with questions about individual income taxes may call DOR Customer Service at 317-232-2240. Customers with specific questions regarding corporate income taxes may call 317-232-0129. Customer Service is available to take calls from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. Customers may also email DOR using the online form at dor.in.gov/3392.htm.

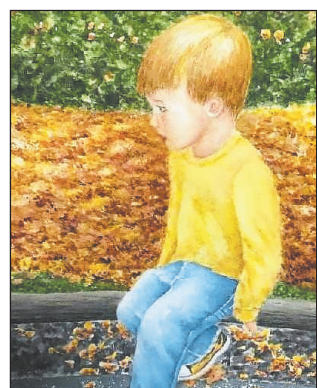
Wabash Art Guild 2020 Members' Art Show canceled

Concerns over virus cause annual event to move online

By ROB BURGESS

Wabash Plain Dealer Editor

The Wabash Art Guild 2020 Members' Art Show, which was originally scheduled to take place at the Honeywell Center, has been canceled this year, due to COVID-19, stated Lori Heeter in a Sunday statement to the Wabash



Provided photo

This watercolor painting, "Autumn," is by Lauren Deeter and is included in this year's show.

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U.S. gives ‘up to 1,000’ ventilators to South Africa for coronavirus

By **ANDREW MELDRUM**
Associated Press

JOHANNESBURG — The U.S. government is donating “up to 1,000” ventilators to South Africa to help the country respond to COVID-19 as the Trump administration addresses criticism that it hasn’t done enough for countries in need. “South Africa is the first country in the world to receive this state-of-the-art equipment” from the National Security Council and USAID, the U.S. Embassy said in a tweet. Last week, however, Mexico said it received a U.S. shipment of 211 ventilators as part of aid promised by President Donald Trump. The U.S. soon will make similar donations to countries around the world, according to embassy officials. South Africa has the most confirmed coronavirus cases in Africa with more than 11,300, including more than 200 deaths. Virus cases

across the 54-nation continent are now above 66,000. For weeks, U.S. officials have indicated that the virus crisis at home has delayed the shipment of crucial medical equipment to other countries. But in recent days the Trump administration has been making plans to ship some 8,000 of the breathing machines to foreign countries by the end of July. The White House has not said how many have been shipped, and it’s unclear if some nations would pay for the ventilators, which cost \$5,000 to \$30,000, depending on the model. Trump has spoken with the leaders of South Africa, Ethiopia and Kenya in recent days about the pandemic. “Nigeria just called. We’re giving them 250 ventilators,” Trump said last week. In a tweet, he said Ethiopia also had asked for the machines. Africa has some of the world’s weakest health systems, and experts have

warned they would be rapidly overwhelmed by the virus. African countries have joined forces with each other and the private sector to compete with richer countries around the world for scarce medical equipment, including badly needed testing kits. Some African nations also are turning to manufacturing needed equipment themselves, a development that could help speed up industrialization of a continent that has long imported much of its medicines and other health items from abroad. The U.S.-produced ventilators donated to South Africa are valued at \$14 million, and with accessories, service plans and shipping the total donation is worth \$20 million, the U.S. Embassy said in a statement Tuesday. The donation brings the total U.S. government financial support to South Africa’s COVID-19 response to more than \$41 million, according to the statement.






India’s prime minister announces \$260 billion virus relief package

NEW DELHI (AP) — Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi announced Tuesday that the government will spend more than \$260 billion, the equivalent of nearly 10 percent of the country’s GDP, on a coronavirus economic relief package designed to make the world’s second most populous nation more self-reliant. “The package’s main aim is to build a self-reliant India,” Modi said in a televised speech, adding that it will help the country compete globally. India entered its sixth week of a stringent nationwide

lockdown on Tuesday, pushing an economy already enfeebled before the pandemic to the brink of collapse. Modi said the details of the package would be disclosed in the coming days. Responding to the announcement of the relief package, the main opposition Congress party’s spokesperson Randeep Surjewala said Modi had given the country and the media a “headline.” “India is deeply disappointed by your utter lack of empathy, sensitivity & failure to address the woes of millions of migrant workers,” Surjewala tweeted while refer-





ring to Modi. The lockdown that began March 25 prompted an exodus of workers to their ancestral homes in the countryside. Economists say unemployment reached 24.7 percent this week. Last week some restrictions on manufacturing and self-employment were lifted to ease the burden on the poor. Social distancing norms officially remained in effect, but some passenger rail service resumed on Tuesday from New Delhi and Mumbai, with trains allowed to run at full capacity.

5-Day Weather Summary

 Wednesday Partly Cloudy 63 / 53	 Thursday Showers Likely 72 / 62	 Friday Showers Likely 70 / 60	 Saturday Showers Likely 73 / 63	 Sunday Showers Likely 70 / 56
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Sun and Moon

Today's sunset 8:57 p.m.
Tomorrow's sunrise 6:31 a.m.

 Last 5/14	 New 5/22	 First 5/29	 Full 6/5
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Detailed Local Outlook

Today we will see partly cloudy skies with a high temperature of 63°, humidity of 43%. East southeast wind 7 to 16 mph. Expect mostly cloudy skies tonight with an 80% chance of showers, overnight low of 53°. South southeast wind 10 to 16 mph.

How-tos of wearing a mask

DEAR DOCTOR: Our city has asked us to wear a face mask when we leave the house. Needless to say, my wife and I have never done this before. Does our 5-year-old son need a mask, too? Any guidance or how-tos would be greatly appreciated.

DEAR READER: Your local government is following the updated recommendation from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, which urges people to wear a cloth covering over their nose and mouth whenever they go out in public. These face coverings don't serve as protection from becoming infected with the virus. Rather, they are a physical barrier that may prevent someone who is infected from spreading it. This is particularly valuable in cases where someone is infected but has no symptoms.

Elizabeth Ko & Eve Glazier
Ask the Doctors



nose and mouth and adjust the straps so that you have a snug but comfortable fit. If your mask has a bendable metal clip over the bridge of the nose, gently adjust it to the contour of your face. If you wear glasses, put them on after the mask. It's important that any facial covering you use, even if it's just a bandanna, completely covers both your nose and mouth, and also the bottom of your chin. It's helpful to practice at home to get optimal fit and comfort. Before you remove your mask, clean your hands. Again, you'll be handling it only by the ties or straps. If it's disposable, throw it away. If it's reusable, wash it with soap in hot water and machine dry thoroughly on medium or high heat. And please, never use medical-grade N95 masks. These

are in short supply and are desperately needed to keep frontline workers safe. Yes, your son should wear a mask in public as well. The CDC recommends everyone 2 years of age and older wear a mask that covers their nose and mouth. Due to the risk of suffocation, face coverings should not be used on anyone younger than 2. We hope this helps, and that you and your family stay vigilant, safe and healthy. *Eve Glazier, M.D., MBA, is an internist and associate professor of medicine at UCLA Health. Elizabeth Ko, M.D., is an internist and assistant professor of medicine at UCLA Health. Send your questions to askthedoctors@mednet.ucla.edu, or write: Ask the Doctors, c/o UCLA Health Sciences Media Relations, 10880 Wilshire Blvd., Suite 1450, Los Angeles, CA, 90024. Owing to the volume of mail, personal replies cannot be provided.*



Community Marketing Grant

We are deeply committed to the community

The Wabash Plain Dealer has established a \$150,000 fund to help local business get back to full strength by subsidizing their marketing through matching grants. Area businesses can now apply for a grant to help them recover from the effects of the coronavirus crisis.

How Will It Work for My Business?

The fund is open to all locally owned and operated businesses impacted by the coronavirus, whether or not they are current advertisers. Grant money can be used for local Wabash Plain Dealer print newspaper and special product advertising between April 28 and June 30, 2020. Grants are available for a minimum of \$200 and a maximum of \$5,000 of matching funds each month. Eg: spend \$200 in advertising, we match with a grant of \$200 additional advertising dollars to equal \$400.

How Do I Apply?

To apply for a dollar for dollar matching advertising grant, applications must be submitted at:

https://www.wabashplaindealer.com/site/forms/advertising_match/, click on the “How Do I?” tab and Apply for a “Matching Advertising Grant”. The Wabash Plain Dealer will respond within 48 hours. A community newspaper is only ever as strong as the community it serves. We know businesses and workers are hurting, we’re hurting too. But if we can pull together as a community, we can weather this.



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READERS' CHOICE REPORTS

MONDAY'S LOTTERIES

Cash 5
03-08-16-30-35
Estimated jackpot: \$325,500
Cash4Life
29-31-39-48-57, Cash Ball: 2
Daily Three-Midday
1-0-4, SB: 2
Daily Three-Evening
8-5-0, SB: 7
Daily Four-Midday
3-0-3-2, SB: 2
Daily Four-Evening
7-0-9-0, SB: 7
Mega Millions
Estimated jackpot: \$248 million
Powerball
Estimated jackpot: \$77 million


TUESDAY'S METALS

Aluminum.....	.66
Copper.....	.237
Lead.....	.74
Zinc.....	.91
Gold.....	1,705.10
Silver.....	15.57
Platinum.....	766.00

AREA GRAIN

Estimated grain prices
Tuesday at Indianapolis-area elevators: Corn: \$3.15..
Soybeans: \$8.44.

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Lee Franklin ‘Pete’ Rish

Sept. 1, 1920 – May 11, 2020

Lee Franklin “Pete” Rish, 99, of Wabash, Indiana, died at 2 a.m., Monday, May 11, 2020 at Peabody Healthcare Center in North Manchester. He was born Sept. 1, 1920 in Wabash, to Sherman H. and Winifred (Stewart) Rish. Pete was a 1940 graduate of Wabash High School, and attended Manchester College and Defiance College. He married Joyce L. Bowlby at the Wabash Presbyterian Church on July 11, 1948. He was a sales engineer for 12 years at Eagle Pitcher Plastics Division in Grabill, Indiana and 10 years at General Tire Plastics Division in Marion. He was a member of the Wabash Kiwanis Club. In 2010, Pete was in the first class inducted into the Wabash High School Hall of Fame. He was the founder of the Wabash Express Semi-Pro Football team and the founder of the Wabash Quarterback Club, which is now the Wabash Football Boosters. He is survived by his wife, Joyce L. Rish, and three children, Eric (Susan) Rish, Matthew Rish, and Anita



(Greg) Metz, granddaughter, Elise Metz, and two great grandchildren, Tyce Frank and Madison Metz, all of Wabash. He was preceded in death by his parents, granddaughter Tiffany Frank, three brothers and one sister. There will be no services. Burial will be in Friends Cemetery, Wabash at a later date. Arrangements by Grandstaff-Hentgen Funeral Service, Wabash. Preferred memorial is Wabash High School Athletic Department. The memorial guest book for Pete may be signed at www.grandstaff-hentgen.com.

James Edward Derck

Aug. 2, 1943 – May 11, 2020

James Edward Derck, 76, of rural LaFontaine, Indiana, died at 7:45 pm, Monday, May 11, 2020 of natural causes, at his home surrounded by his family. He was born August 2, 1943 in Wabash, Indiana to Grimes B. and Edna Mae (Dawalt) Derck. Jim was a 1963 graduate of Wabash High School. He married Robin McGinnis in Muncie, Indiana, on January 11, 1964. He owned and operated LaFontaine Gravel from 1965 until his retirement in 2014. He was a member of the Wabash Christian Heritage Church and a former member of the LaFontaine I.O.O.F. He enjoyed fishing, mushroom hunting, driving his truck and loader, and loved his grandchildren. He also had a great sense of humor. He is survived by his wife, Robin Derck of LaFontaine, five children, Laci (Rob) Haney of Wabash, Tami Law and Candi (Andy) Kirk, both of LaFontaine, Honi (Clint) Harden of Wabash, and James Earl “Jed”



(Nicki) Derck of LaFontaine, 15 grandchildren, 7 great-grandchildren, sister, Debbie Berry of Huntington, Indiana, and brother, Robert (Sue) Derck of Wabash. He was preceded in death by his parents, four brothers, and four sisters. Funeral services will be private to the family at Grandstaff-Hentgen Funeral Service, 1241 Manchester Ave., Wabash, with Pastor Tim Prater officiating. The memorial guest book for James may be signed at www.grandstaff-hentgen.com.

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■ 1 p.m. Wednesday, May 27, Extracurricular Activities/Athletics. Visit webinar.gfwinc.com to register for any of the webinars or view the recorded sessions. Those who register in advance will have the opportunity to submit questions for the presenters. In addition to the webinar series, Parkview Health has created several other resources to help individuals and businesses during the pandemic.

ART

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Plain Dealer. Heeter stated that even though the physical event was canceled, the art itself was not. “Our members would still like to share some of their art with the community in hopes that it may provide some

Information on COVID-19, including an interactive Symptom Checker, can be found at Parkview.com/COVID19. Resources for businesses navigating COVID-19 may be found at Parkivew.com/businessconnect. Business leaders can call the GFW office at 260-420-6945 with questions – COVID-19 related or otherwise. GFW has also created an online Resource Hub for local business leaders, featuring action items and answers to frequently asked questions, at covid19.gfwinc.com.

enjoyment,” stated Heeter. Art which was to be included in the show may be viewed on the Wabash Art Guild Facebook page in the comments section under the post, “Wabash Art Guild Members’ Art Display,” by visiting <https://tinyurl.com/y7yndp6l>. Rob Burgess, Wabash Plain Dealer editor, may be reached by email at rburgess@wabashplaineditor.com

Fauci warns of ‘suffering and death’ if United States reopens too soon

By LAURAN NEERGAARD and RICARDO ALONSO-ZALDIVAR
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Dr. Anthony Fauci, the nation’s top infectious disease expert, warned bluntly Tuesday of “really serious” consequences of suffering, death and deeper economic damage if state and local officials lift stay-at-home orders too quickly, even as President Donald Trump pushes them to act to right a free-falling economy. Fauci’s testimony before a Senate committee came as more than two dozen states have begun to lift their lockdowns as a first step toward economic recovery. Underscoring the seriousness of the pandemic that has reached Congress and the White House, Fauci and other experts testified by video from their homes. Sen. Lamar Alexander, R-Tenn., chaired the hearing by video from the study in his cabin in Tennessee, though several members of the Health, Education, Labor and Pensions Committee did attend at the Capitol. Fauci and other health officials stressed that pandemic danger persists, even as testing increases and work toward a vaccine and treatments continues. More COVID-19 infec-

tions are inevitable as people again start gathering, but how prepared communities are to stamp out those sparks will determine how bad the rebound is, Fauci told the senators. “There is no doubt, even under the best of circumstances, when you pull back on mitigation you will see some cases appear,” Fauci said. And if there is a rush to reopen without following guidelines, “my concern is we will start to see little spikes that might turn into outbreaks,” he said. “The consequences could be really serious.” In fact, he said opening too soon “could turn the clock back,” and that not only would cause “some suffering and death that could be avoided, but could even set you back on the road to try to get economic recovery.” Fauci was among the health experts testifying Tuesday to the Senate panel, as Trump has been praising states that are reopening after the prolonged lockdown aimed at controlling the virus’s spread. Committee chairman Alexander said as the hearing opened that “what our country has done so far in testing is impressive, but not nearly enough.” Worldwide, the virus has infected nearly 4.2 mil-

lion people and killed over 287,000 – more than 80,000 in U.S. alone. Asked if the U.S. mortality count was correct, Fauci said, “the number is likely higher. I don’t know exactly what percent higher but almost certainly it’s higher.” Fauci, a member of the coronavirus task force charged with shaping the response to COVID-19, testified via video conference after self-quarantining as a White House staffer tested positive for the virus. With the U.S. economy in free-fall and more than 30 million people unemployed, Trump has been anxious to reopen states for business. A recent Associated Press review determined that 17 states did not meet a key White House benchmark for loosening restrictions – a 14-day downward trajectory in new cases or positive test rates. Yet many of those have begun to reopen or are about to do so, including Alabama, Kentucky, Maine, Mississippi, Missouri, Nebraska, Ohio, Oklahoma, Tennessee and Utah. Of the 33 states that have had a 14-day downward trajectory of either cases or positive test rates, 25 are partially opened or moving to reopen within days, the AP analysis found. Other states that have not seen a 14-day decline, remain

closed despite meeting some benchmarks. Besides Fauci, of the National Institutes of Health, the other experts include FDA Commissioner Dr. Stephen Hahn and Dr. Robert Redfield, head of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention – both in self-quarantine—and Adm. Brett Giroir, the coronavirus “testing czar” at the Department of Health and Human Services. The event Tuesday got underway in the committee’s storied hearing room, but that’s about all that remained of the pre-pandemic way of conducting oversight. The senators running the event, Alexander and Democrat Patty Murray of Washington, were heads on video screens, with an array of personal items in the background as they isolated back home. A few senators, such as Alaska Republican Lisa Murkowski and Connecticut Democrat Chris Murphy, personally attended the session in the hearing room. They wore masks, as did an array of aides buzzing behind them. The health committee hearing offers a very different setting from the White House coronavirus task force briefings the administration witnesses have all participated in.

FOOD

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Wabash County households and 3,468 individuals. In a Friday statement, Jackson Eflin, marketing coordinator, announced additional tailgate distribution events in the area, including:

- 10 a.m. to noon Wednesday, May 13 at Callaway Park, 902 Callaway Park Drive, Elwood
- 10 a.m. to noon Thursday, May 14 at Muncie Mall, 3501 N. Granville Ave., Muncie
- 9 to 11 a.m. Friday, May 15 at First Baptist Church, 709 S. Memorial Drive, New Castle

- 1 to 3 p.m. Friday, May 15 at Goodrich Park, 701 N. Union St., Winchester
- Eflin stated no IDs, proof of address or need are required and all are welcome. “Distribution is while supplies last. We are requesting that attendees only go through the line one time so we can serve everyone,”

stated Eflin. “If you are walking up or coming via a vehicle too small to carry a load of food, please plan to arrive an hour after the tailgate starts. For more information, visit www.CureHunger.org. Rob Burgess, Wabash Plain Dealer editor, may be reached by email at rburgess@wabashplaineditor.com

PEABODY

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“Employees are self-isolating at home and returning to work as appropriate based public health requirements. The majority of our employee testing is complete, but there will be continuing tests for those who work intermittently, new hires and others,” stated Craft. “In addition, employees who previously tested positive for COVID-19 are approaching completion of their self-quarantine and will soon join those who have already recovered and are back to work serving our residents. When cleared and in good health, they will be rejoining our community. We will test those employees as necessary and continue to share any new positive results with our residents, families, employees and appropriate county health officials.” Craft stated they began testing residents who granted consent Wednesday, April 29. “We have communicated with residents and/or their healthcare representative about this process,” stated Craft. Craft stated that 163 residents have been tested in total thus far. He stated the residents who have tested positive have been asymptomatic. “The impacted residents are in our dedicated, isolated and contained unit for

safe treatment,” he stated. Craft stated Peabody has completed a deep cleaning and sanitization process for their rooms. Testing sites available across the state ISDH has launched a large-scale testing effort at 20 sites around the state, with an additional 30 sites scheduled to open this week. Beginning Wednesday, nearly two dozen additional testing sites will open around the state as part of Indiana’s large-scale testing effort for COVID-19. Locations and registration will be added to the COVID-19 testing map at www.coronavirus.in.gov. Counties include Jasper, Marshall, Noble, Lagrange, Allen, Fountain-Warren, Clinton, Boone, Hancock, Hamilton, Marion, Randolph, Grant, Howard, Parke, Putnam, Greene, Lawrence, Jackson, Monroe, Clark, Decatur, Dearborn, Ripley, Harrison, Posey and Perry. Additional sites will be added once locations are finalized. Individuals may register online at <https://lhi.care/covidtesting> or by calling 888-634-1116. “Individuals who have symptoms of COVID-19 and those who have been exposed and need a test to return to work are encouraged to visit a testing site. Individuals without symptoms who are at high risk because they are over age

65, have diabetes, obesity, high blood pressure or another underlying condition, as well as those who are pregnant or a member of a minority population that’s at greater risk for severe illness, also are encouraged to get tested,” stated the ISDH. “Individuals should bring proof of Indiana residency such as a state-issued ID, work ID or utility bill. This testing is free to individuals, and health insurance is not required. However, if individuals have private health insurance, they should bring their insurance information with them to their testing appointment.” In addition, ISDH will offer four drive-thru clinics from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. from Thursday, May 14 to Sunday, May 17 at the following locations: ■ Bluffton High School, 1 Tiger Tail, Bluffton ■ Sullivan High School, 902 N. Section St., Sullivan ■ North Madison Christian Church, 1400 E State Road 62, Madison ■ Calumet New Tech High School, 3900 Calhoun St., Gary

Statewide figures On Tuesday, the ISDH announced that 566 additional Hoosiers have been diagnosed with COVID-19 through testing at ISDH, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and private laboratories. That brings to 25,127 the total number of Indiana residents known to have the novel coronavirus following corrections to the previous day’s total. The intensive care unit and ventilator capacity remain steady. Nearly 45 percent of ICU beds and more than 81 percent of ventilators were available as of Tuesday. A total of 1,444 Hoosiers have been confirmed to have died of COVID-19, an increase of 33 over the previous day. Another 134 probable deaths have been reported based on clinical diagnoses in patients for whom no positive test is on record. Deaths are reported based on when data are received by ISDH and occurred over multiple days. To date, 150,510 tests have been reported to ISDH, up from 146,688 on Monday. Marion County had the most new cases, at 136. Other counties with more than 10 new cases were Allen (35), Bartholomew (12), Cass (20), Dubois (13), Elkhart (32), Hamilton (23), Hendricks (12), Johnson (17), Lake (50), Porter (25), St. Joseph (17), Tippecanoe (10) and White (14). The Lake County totals include results from East Chicago and Gary, which have their own health departments. A complete list of cases by county is posted at www.coronavirus.in.gov, which is updated daily at noon. Cases are listed by county of residence. Rob Burgess, Wabash Plain Dealer editor, may be reached by email at rburgess@wabashplaineditor.com

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Please sign your letter. Your name will be used with the letter that is published in the Plain Dealer. Your letter will be returned if it is your desire to remain anonymous.

Since we may want to write or call you to verify the letter, we ask that you include your address and telephone number. All our letters to the editor are published in the interest of fair play, so we trust our letter writers will refrain from personal attacks on other persons or groups.

A letter should be less than two pages long, preferably of double-spaced typing.

In order to give everyone an opportunity to participate in this exchange of ideas, please try to limit your letters to one per month per household.

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DAILY SCRIPTURE

Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore love is the fulfilling of the law.

Romans 13:10

Coronavirus's next victim is our mental health

The coronavirus has delivered traumatic blows to our collective mental well-being that are as invisible as the virus itself, and in many ways, just as damaging.

Devastating job losses and the coronavirus's lethal toll have led to increased anxiety, depression, addiction and other psychological trauma. While it may not be as obvious as job losses and coronavirus fatalities, the nation is on the cusp of a spiraling mental health crisis, experts say.

These warnings should not go unheeded, mostly because history is a good teacher. The World Trade Center attacks, mass shootings, the Great Recession and massive hurricanes all triggered serious depression, anxiety, domestic violence, child abuse and other behavioral disorders. In each instance, the negative impact on mental health persisted over long time periods, and there is no reason to think that this crisis will be different.

According to a recent poll, the Kaiser Family Foundation found that 56 percent of American adults struggle with sleep or eating problems, potential alcohol abuse, or worsened chronic conditions since virus' outbreak. And, each day, front-line health care workers endure emotional

traumas often associated with soldiers in battle – levels of stress that we need to address if we are to properly honor and respect those who are serving us on the front lines.

Here's a glimpse at how serious this is now and how serious it could become. The Meadows Mental Health Policy Institute predicts that in Texas alone a 5 percentage point annual increase in the unemployment rate could result in 300 additional lives lost to suicide each year and 425 additional lives lost to drug overdoses.

Meadows estimates that nationwide the impact of coronavirus-related stress will result in 4,000 more suicides and 4,800 overdose deaths. Those estimates would skyrocket to 18,000 more suicides and more than 22,000 additional drug overdoses annually if the economic recession approaches the scale of the Great Depression, Meadows notes.

This issue is beginning to get attention. Last week, Texas Sen. John Cornyn urged lawmakers to "provide better funding, noting that "resources for mental health and substance abuse treatment providers cannot fall by the wayside." Just days earlier a coalition of mental health ser-

vice organizations asked federal officials for at least \$40 billion to support their operations now and warned they could require more assistance if the demand for mental health services spikes upward as expected.

We're not ones to lightly advocate more money as the solution to every problem. But the answer to this problem is a mix of new dollars and changes to allow more innovative delivery of mental health services to those in need. Although Congress authorized trillions of dollars in several rounds of emergency coronavirus funding for a variety of needs, that assistance hasn't adequately addressed the long- or short-term mental health challenges we now face.

Finding innovative ways for service providers to expand their capacity to treat patients is essential, starting with widespread mental health screenings, better access to services through telemedicine, and multiyear state and federal commitments toward treating mental disorders.

As a nation, we must be prepared for the mental health pandemic that will follow the coronavirus pandemic.

This editorial was first published in the Dallas Morning News.



Anti-Trump Republicans put on a messaging clinic

Democrats, learn from your former Republican foes: Pull heartstrings, wave the flag and go straight for the jugular.

Political warfare in this country has long been asymmetrical. Democrats tend to appeal to voters with arguments based on reason, fairness and economic self-interest. There's

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nothing wrong with any of that, but defeating President Trump and his GOP enablers is too important to leave any weapons on the shelf. Democrats need to learn to use the tools that

Republicans have long wielded with tremendous skill and success: emotion, patriotism and cultural affinity.

Not to be overly anatomical about it, but Democrats tend to target the head while Republicans go for the heart and the gut.

Fortunately, some veteran Republican strategists are giving a master class in GOP-style political communication. It is imperative that Joe Biden's campaign and the Democratic National Committee sit up and pay close attention.

"Mourning in America" is a one-minute political ad released Monday by the Lincoln Project, a group of prominent never-Trump Republicans and former Republicans (including Washington Post Opinions contributing columnist George T. Conway III). The 60-second spot is a devastating indictment of Trump's handling of the coronavirus crisis, and it is safe to say that it drove the president around the bend: He was up until nearly 1 a.m., hate-tweeting at the Lincoln Project's members.

The title is a reference to the famous "Morning in America" ad from Ronald Reagan's 1984

reelection campaign, a gauzy montage of smiling faces and waving flags in which the narrator proclaims the nation "prouder and stronger and better" because of Reagan's leadership. The spot wasn't about policies; it was about feelings. And whatever you thought about Reagan's presidency – I was not a fan – you had to admit that the vision of the country presented in "Morning in America" was powerful and persuasive.

In the new "Mourning in America," by contrast, the video montage is in sharper focus and shows scenes of devastation and desperation, of face masks and empty streets and "the worst economy in decades." It ends with the narrator delivering a devastating indictment: "There's mourning in America. And under the leadership of Donald Trump, our country is weaker and sicker and poorer. And now, Americans are asking, 'If we have another four years like this, will there even be an America?'"

Boom. There is no parsing of the issues, no minute dissection of specific steps Trump took, or failed to take, in handling the pandemic. The ad is designed to engage the feelings of isolation, loss and uncertainty that so many Americans are feeling right now, and to give us someone to blame – and to remove from office in November. It has been seen more than 1.7 million times on YouTube, and ironically its message has been further amplified by Trump's out-of-control reaction on Twitter.

In a tweetstorm he blasted the Lincoln Project's founders, including Steve Schmidt, who ran John McCain's 2008 presidential campaign; John Weaver, who ran John Kasich's 2016 campaign; and Rick Wilson, a longtime GOP media consultant who wrote a recent best-seller titled "Everything

Trump Touches Dies." But the president reserved his most vicious screed for Conway, who is married to White House counselor Kellyanne Conway. "I don't know what Kellyanne did to her deranged loser of a husband, Moonface," Trump tweeted.

We do know, however, what the members of Lincoln Project did to Trump: They hit him where it hurts. The president understands the importance of emotion in politics. He knows he is in grave danger of suffering a humiliating loss at the polls, and the last thing he wants to see is his opponents playing the game the way he does, if with a bit more finesse.

Trump can't do what Reagan did and ask voters if they're better off than they were four years ago – not with nearly 75,000 Americans dead from COVID-19 and unemployment nearing Great Depression levels. He is already trying out various campaign themes, all of them designed to drive wedges and stoke anger: Blame China for the virus. Blame Democratic governors and mayors for shutdown orders. Blame the media for asking inconvenient questions.

What the veterans of GOP campaigns who made "Mourning in America" understand is that drawing lines between "us" and "them" is both powerful and effective. Republicans wave the American flag and imply, or come right out and say, that their opponents are un-American. Democrats need to wave the flag, too – it belongs to all of us – and show Trump as alien and destructive to who we are as a nation.

Democrats need to drive an emotional wedge of their own – between the mourning Trump has given us and the new morning that will dawn when he is gone.

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LETTERS

A time of reflection during the coronavirus pandemic

My wife, the former Elizabeth Jones, and I were sitting around the breakfast table today, May 8, 2020, reflecting on what is currently occurring with the coronavirus pandemic and looking back on our 54 years of marriage since our wedding day of May 8, 1966. May 8, 2020 is the 75th anniversary of VE Day, May 8, 1945, when World War II ended in Europe.

We talked about her grandfather John Jones and great-uncle William Jones fighting for the North in the Union cavalry during the Civil War. I mentioned my grandfather, Max Moskowitz, a rough rider in the Spanish American War. We reminisced about my wife's father Alton Jones and uncle William Howard Jones, World War I marines who fought in France and Belgium and talked about my father, Sidney Moskowitz, who repaired Navy ships during World War II.

We wondered what they would have thought about the current war we are fighting against the coronavirus pandemic, and we concluded they would have said fight on to victory.

Donald and Elizabeth (Jones) Moskowitz Londonderry, New Hampshire

Keeping the lights on in time of crisis

As COVID-19 takes a toll on the health and well-being of our state, I'm encouraged by the spirit and resolve of Hoosiers. I've been awestruck by the selfless acts of those on the frontlines – from healthcare workers fighting the virus, to store clerks stocking the shelves with food and so many more.

At Duke Energy, we feel a heightened sense of urgency because our service is critical to hospitals, essential businesses and homes across the state. We were reminded of that when storms ripped through Indiana April 8 causing approximately 140,000 power outages on our system. Our employees responded and worked around-the-clock to bring power back to hospitals, nursing homes, grocery stores and other essential businesses and homes. They showed up knowing that keeping our power grid running in the face of unprecedented adversity for our customers is our top priority.

Stan Pinegar



Here's what we're doing to keep the lights on, help our customers and keep our employees safe – especially the ones who must work outside the home to keep the electricity flowing.

As we continue to respond to power outages and other emergencies, you'll see our workers in the community. To protect the communities we serve, we're asking our critical workers in the field or operating power plants to maintain safe social distances and have stopped or limited most work activities that require customer interaction. If they need to interact with a customer, they will follow strict CDC guidance, which we are closely monitoring for developments.

We've also taken several steps to help relieve the financial burden on our customers and communities. In mid-March, our company stopped service disconnections for unpaid bills and waived late payment fees and charges for returned payments. For our residential customers, we also have waived credit and debit card fees for bill payments. We encourage customers who can pay all or a portion of their bill to do so to avoid building up a large balance that will be harder to pay off later. Customers should contact us about flexible payment plans.

A crisis like this can hit low-income groups the hardest, and through the Duke Energy Foundation, we have funded \$100,000 in rapid response grants to food banks and other community action groups across Indiana to address hunger relief and other urgent needs. Our shareholder-funded foundation also is providing \$200,000 in grants to economic development organizations statewide that are aiding Hoosier businesses struggling in the economic wake of this pandemic.

This is an unprecedented time, and the safety and well-being of our communities, customers and employees is our top priority, just as it has been for more than 100 years.

Stan Pinegar is the Indiana president of Duke Energy.

HISTORY

Today is Wednesday, May 13, the 134th day of 2020. There are 232 days left in the year.

Highlight in history:

On May 13, 1940, in his first speech as British prime minister, Winston Churchill told Parliament, "I have nothing to offer but blood, toil, tears and sweat."

On this date:

In 1917, three shepherd children reported seeing a vision of the Virgin Mary near Fatima, Portugal; it was the first of six such apparitions that the children claimed to have witnessed.

In 1918, the first U.S. airmail stamp, costing 24 cents and featuring a picture of a Curtiss JN-4 biplane, was publicly issued. (On some of the stamps, the "Jenny" was printed upside-down, making them collector's items.)

Today's Birthdays: Actor Buck Taylor is 82. Actor Harvey Keitel is 81. Author Charles Baxter is 73. Actress Zoe Wanamaker is 72. Actor Franklyn Ajaye is 71. Singer Stevie Wonder is 70. Former Ohio Gov. John Kasich is 68. Actress Leslie Winston is 64. Producer-writer Alan Ball is 63. Basketball Hall of Famer Dennis Rodman is 59. "Late Show" host Stephen Colbert is 56. Rock musician John Richardson (The Gin Blossoms) is 56. Actor Tom Verica is 56. Singer Darius Rucker (Hootie and the Blowfish) is 54.

Baked beans recipe wins smiles at family gatherings

DEAR ABBY: I love your column. Some years ago, you printed a recipe for baked beans. I believe they were called St. James’ Baked Beans. I have lost my copy. I would get lots of compliments about how great they were at family gatherings and potlucks. Would you please reprint the recipe? – Shirley In Brownsville, Texas

DEAR SHIRLEY: Thank you for your kind words and for letting me know how much you enjoyed that recipe. It’s included in my Cookbooklet set, which contains more than 100 tasty recipes for soups, salads, appetizers, main courses and desserts that can be used when friends and family get together to celebrate holidays and special occasions. Shirley, I am pleased to share it, knowing you will continue to enjoy it.

St. James’ Baked Beans
(Serves 8)
6 slices bacon, diced
1/2 cup chopped onion
1 (16-ounce) can pork and beans, drained
1 (16-ounce) can lima beans, drained
1 (15-ounce) can kidney beans, rinsed and drained
1 (10-ounce) package sharp cheddar cheese, cubed
1 cup ketchup
3/4 cup firmly packed dark brown sugar
1 tablespoon Worcestershire sauce

Heat oven to 325 degrees. Butter a 1 1/2-quart casserole. In a small skillet, saute the bacon and onions until the bacon is crisp and onions are lightly browned; drain well. In a large bowl, combine the remaining ingredients. Add bacon-onion mixture; mix well. Pour bean mixture into prepared casserole. Bake uncovered at 325 degrees for 1 1/2 hours.

For readers who are interested in having my cookbooklets, they can be ordered as a set. Once you start reviewing “Cookbooklet II” you will discover that a sweet tooth runs in my family. The pecan pie recipe has won blue ribbons at county fairs, while others were featured on the covers of women’s magazines. The booklets can be ordered by sending your name and address, plus check or money order for \$16 (U.S. funds) to: Dear Abby – Cookbooklet Set, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, IL 61054-0447. I know the recipes will become among your favorites because dinner guests, family members – as well as many readers – have raved about them.

Also included in this collection are tips on entertaining, when those days return, for anyone who is inexperienced or nervous about it. Remember, although what you put on the table is important, it’s WHO you put on the chairs that makes for a great party.

DEAR ABBY: I am seeing a guy whose roommate is a sex offender. I found out after I typed the address on the internet. I’m not sure how to ask my friend about it. Should I come right out and ask, or just leave it alone? I’m not sure he knows, but I would be surprised if he didn’t. I don’t want it to be awkward when I ask. – Shocked In Virginia

DEAR SHOCKED: There are various levels of sex offenses, and the roommate’s offense may be minor. Double-check to make sure the roommate’s name, address and photo match what you found on the site. Tell the man you are seeing what you discovered, but not in an alarmist manner.

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33 In progress

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37 — — whim

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7 In this place

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10 Fish appendage

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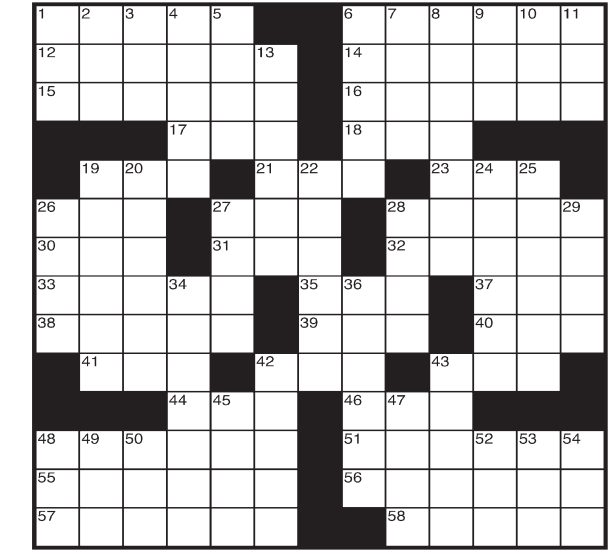
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JUMBLE

Unscramble these Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

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Yesterday's

Jumbles: EXPEL DITTO SKINNY VIOLET

Answer: The family reunion of first positive numbers featured — LOVED ONES

THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME

By David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek

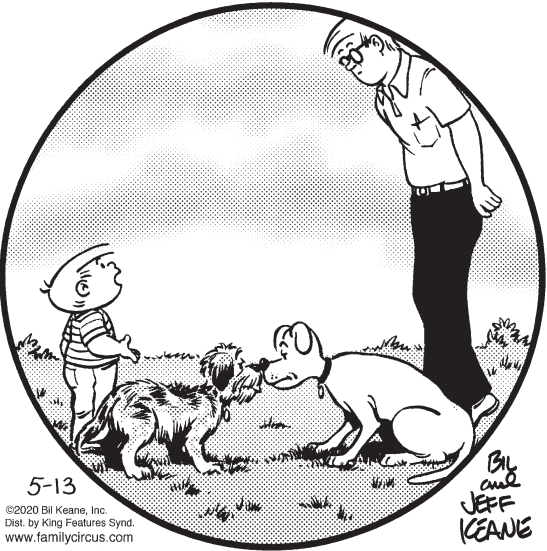


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(Answers tomorrow)

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By Bil Keane

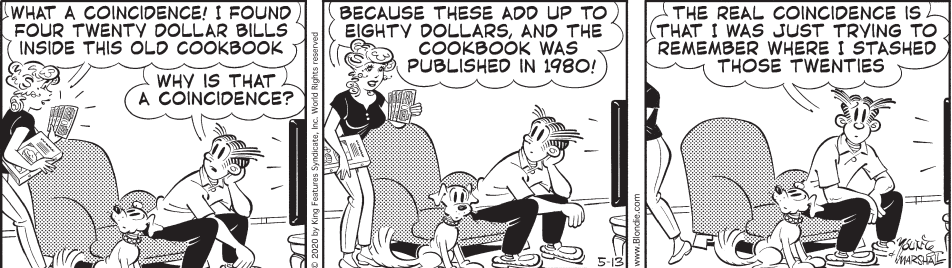


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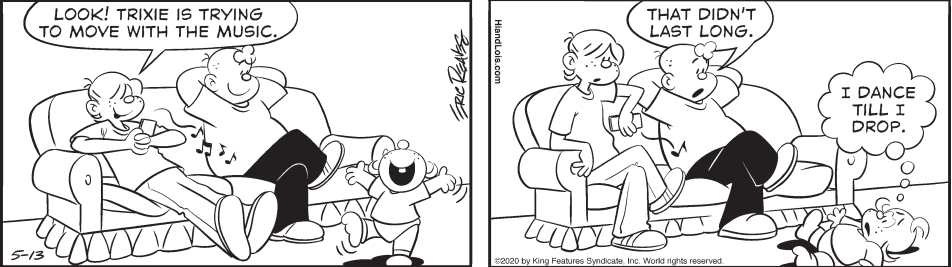
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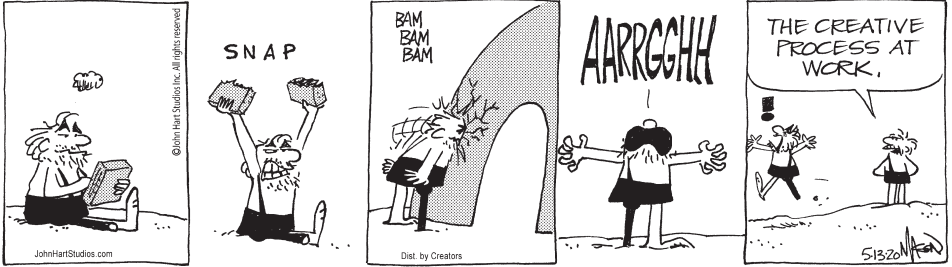
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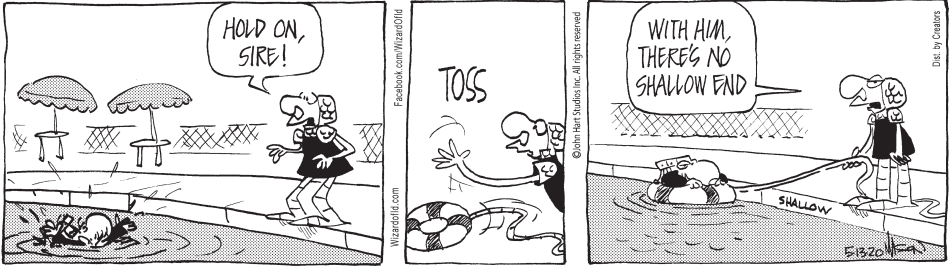
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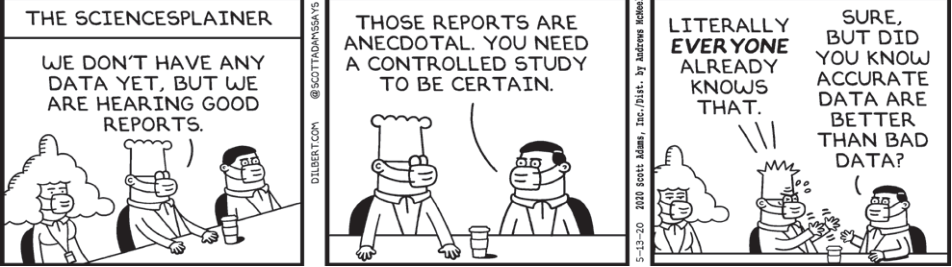
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Forgiveness is one of the most beautiful words in the human vocabulary

Q: My close friend has wronged me and turned some mutual friends against me. I am struggling with why I need to forgive her. How does a person sincerely do this? – F.O.

A: Forgiveness is one of the most beautiful words in the human vocabulary and is best illustrated by God’s forgiveness of sin. When someone sins against us, they bear a terrible guilt. Likewise, when we refuse to forgive a wrong, we become part of the problem. When God’s people practice forgiveness, sweetness replaces harshness.

Some people refuse to accept responsibility for what they have done, always blaming someone else for what happened. We cannot force

another to have a spirit of forgiveness, but we can demonstrate it by how we react. It is not always possible to mend a broken relationship. Be willing to go the extra mile in an effort to be reconciled with someone who has turned against you, and remember always to pray for them and treat others as you would like to be treated (Luke 6:31).

A marvelous example of this is revealed in the life of Joseph. His brothers were jealous of him and sold him

into slavery. But as the Old Testament story unfolds in Genesis 50, we see that Joseph did not hold it against them. The Lord used Joseph to save his family, and even a whole nation. Because of Joseph’s demonstration of forgiveness, he was blessed of God.

If we cannot find it in our hearts to forgive family and friends, we will never exhibit this attribute of Christ with others and know God’s blessings.

CELEBRITY CIPHER

Celebrity Cipher cryptograms are created from quotations by famous people, past and present. Each letter in the cipher stands for another.

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M B I H W G L I M L . ” — C L T L I R L T T L V

Previous Solution: “Time’ has ceased, ‘space’ has vanished. We now live in a global village ... a simultaneous happening.” — Marshall McLuhan

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Boeing goes another month without a single airliner order

Calhoun, Boeing CEO, predicts that a major airline will ‘most likely’ go out of business

By **DAVID KOENIG**
AP Airlines Writer

Boeing failed to sell a single commercial airplane but saw orders for 108 planes canceled in April as a sharp drop in air travel erased any demand among airlines for new jetliners. It marked the second month this year in which Boeing received no orders, a fate that would have seemed impossible not long ago. Boeing also indicated Tuesday that it is no longer certain about completing orders for another 101 planes and dropped them from its backlog, which dropped below 5,000 for the first time since 2013. Airbus said it received orders for nine planes in April, bringing its 2020 total to 299 planes after cancellations. The European plane maker said its backlog was 7,645 jets. The COVID-19 outbreak has caused global air traffic to plummet and compounded a crisis at Boeing Co. that began with two fatal

crashes and the grounding of its best-selling plane, the 737 Max. Airlines are bleeding money and canceling thousands of flights while passengers remain too scared to fly. Airlines have grounded 16,000 planes – nearly two-thirds of the world’s fleet – and they are delaying deliveries of jets that they agreed to buy before the pandemic. Air travel in the U.S. is down more than 90 percent from a year ago, and global traffic has seen a similar plunge. Boeing CEO David Calhoun said air travel will recover so slowly that “most likely” one of the major U.S. airlines will go out of business. “Something will happen when September comes around,” he said on NBC’s “Today” show. “Traffic levels will not be back to 100 percent, they won’t even be back to 25% (percent). Maybe by the end of the year we approach 50% (percent).” In the meantime, some planes are packed and there

are often standing crowds waiting to get their luggage from overhead bins. Boeing delivered just six airliners in April, bringing its 2020 total to 56 jets. The slow pace of deliveries is undercutting Boeing’s cash flow because airlines pay a chunk of the plane’s price upon delivery. Airbus delivered 14 jets last month. General Electric’s air-plane-leasing division canceled orders for 69 Boeing Max jets, and China Development Bank dropped orders for 29 of the planes. Cai von Rumohr, an aerospace analyst for financial-service firm Cowen, said more cancellations are likely in the coming months. Boeing has not yet received approval from regulators for fixes it is making to software and computers on the Max. The company has said it expects to resume Max deliveries in the July-through-September quarter. Boeing shares fell 2.9 percent, slightly more than market indexes, to close at \$125.22. They have tumbled 62 percent this year, in line with airline stocks.

Virus hits world superpowers as some look to reopen

By **LISA MARIE PANE**
Associated Press

As health officials issued warnings Tuesday against reopening economies too quickly, the coronavirus struck inside some of the world’s superpowers, with a top aide to Russian President Vladimir Putin diagnosed just days after U.S. Vice President Mike Pence’s press secretary also tested positive. Kremlin spokesman Dmitry Peskov was hospitalized with the coronavirus, the latest in a series of setbacks for the Russian leader as the country struggles to contain the growing outbreak. The announcement of Peskov’s hospitalization came a day after Putin announced Monday that Russia was easing some of its nationwide lockdown restrictions. Peskov is not the only top Russian government official to come down with the coronavirus. Prime Minister Mikhail Mishustin revealed April 30 that he had tested positive for the virus, as have two other government ministers. Last month, British Prime Minister Boris Johnson landed in the hospi-

tal and has since recovered, underscoring the reach and spread of the virus. There have been more than 4.2 million confirmed cases of the virus worldwide and more than 287,000 deaths. Russia has reported more than 232,000 confirmed coronavirus cases and more than 2,100 virus-related deaths as of Tuesday, figures experts say are likely significant under counts. The climbing death tolls come as Dr. Anthony Fauci, the U.S. government’s top infectious disease expert, issued a warning that “the consequences could be really serious” if American cities and states reopen the U.S. economy too quickly. More than 80,000 people have died of the virus in the U.S. More COVID-19 infections are inevitable as people again start gathering, but how prepared communities are to stamp out those sparks will determine how bad the rebound is, Fauci told a Senate hearing on Tuesday. If there is a rush to reopen without following guidelines, “my concern is we will start to see little spikes that might turn into outbreaks,” Fauci said.

Dr. Michael Ryan, the emergencies chief for the World Health Organization, said Germany and South Korea have good contact tracing that hopefully can detect and stop virus clusters before they get out of control. But he said other nations, which he did not name, have not effectively used investigators to contact people who test positive, track down their contacts and get them into quarantine before they can spread the virus. As U.S. states begin to loosen stay-at-home restrictions and businesses get up and running, an Associated Press analysis shows thousands of people are getting sick from COVID-19 on the job. Recent figures show a surge of infections in meat-packing and poultry-processing plants. There’s been a spike of new cases among construction workers in Austin, Texas. Of the 15 U.S. counties with the highest per-capita infection rates between April 28 and May 5, all have meatpacking and poultry-processing plants or state prisons, according to data compiled by the AP.

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that have been operating as curbside or delivery only. Shopping malls can open at 50 percent capacity with indoor common areas restricted to 25 percent capacity. Restaurants and bars that serve food may open starting Monday, May 11 at 50 percent capacity, but bar seating will remain closed. Personal services such as hair salons, barbershops, nail salons, spas and tattoo parlors also may open Monday, May 11 by appointment only and must follow social distancing guidelines. Starting Friday, May 8, for all of the state’s counties, indoor worship services may also convene, following specific social distancing guidelines – while those 65 and older and those at elevated risk will be asked to stay home. For more information, visit [BackOnTrack.in.gov](https://backontrack.in.gov).

Red Cross sets blood donation opportunity for Wednesday

The Red Cross has scheduled a blood donation opportunity from 1 to 7 p.m. Wednesday, May 13 at Rich-valley Community Center, 56 W. Mill St.

Farmers market season set to begin May 16

The Downtown Wabash Farmers Market opens from 8 a.m. to noon Saturday, May 16 in the Honeywell Center/Wabash Elk’s Parking Lot. The market occurs every Saturday through Sept. 26. If you are interested in becoming a vendor or volunteering at the event, call 260-563-0975 or visit www.wabashmarketplace.org.

Red Cross schedules blood donation opportunity for May 19

The Red Cross has scheduled a blood donation opportunity from noon to 6 p.m. Tuesday, May 19 at First United Methodist Church, 110 N. Cass St.

Online absentee ballot applications must be completed, received by May 21

Any registered voter may request an absentee ballot for the June 2 Primary Election. To vote absentee-by-mail, voters who qualify must complete an absentee-by-mail application. These are available online at www.IndianaVoters.com. Voters may also submit their request by mail, email or fax. The application must be completed and received by the county election board or the Indiana Election Division by May 21. After an application has been received, the voter will be mailed a Primary Election ballot. The voter must then complete the ballot, and return it to the county election board by noon Election Day, June 2.

Local absentee, early, in-person voting details announced

Any registered voter may vote by absentee for the June 2 primary election by requesting an absentee ballot. To request an absentee-by-mail application, call 260-563-0661 ext. 1238. In-person early voting is available beginning Tuesday, May 26.

Wabash County voters may vote at OJ Neighbors school gymnasium, 1545 N Wabash St. Early voting will take place from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday, May 26 through Friday, May 29, and from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m., Saturday, May 30. Voting will also take place at this location from 8 a.m. to noon Monday, June 1. On June 2, Election Day, the only two places open to vote in Wabash County will be O J Neighbors School gymnasium at 1545 N Wabash St., and North Manchester High School gymnasium, 1 Squire Drive, North Manchester.

Mural festival seeks local artists

Make It Your Own Mural Fest, organized by the Northeast Indiana Regional Partnership and Arts United of Greater Fort Wayne, is asking artists to apply for the Artist and Mentorship Programs as part of the 11-day mural festival scheduled for Sept. 8 to 18. Make It Your Own Mural Fest is also searching for volunteers for the Mentorship Program. Applications are available at www.NELmuralfestival.com and are open through the end of May.

Red Cross schedules blood donation opportunity for June 2

The Red Cross has scheduled a blood donation opportunity from 2 to 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, June 2 at the Wabash County YMCA, 500 S. Cass St.

25th annual WACCY golf outing prepares to tee off

Registration is now open for Grow Wabash County’s 25th Annual WACCY Golf Outing, scheduled for Wednesday, June 3 at the Honeywell Public Golf Course. Grow Wabash County has also scheduled a back-up date of Thursday, July 30 in the case that the social distancing recommendations are still in effect come June. Registration is \$360 per four-person team. For more information, visit www.growwabashcounty.com/events_emailmarketing@growwabashcounty.com or call 260-563-5258.

Wabash Kiwanis Club Pancake Day officially rescheduled

The Wabash Kiwanis Club’s annual Pancake Day has been rescheduled to Saturday, June 6 at the Bruce Ingraham building at the Wabash County Fairgrounds. The event’s Pancake Eating Contest will take place at noon. Pancakes, with or without blueberries, will be available, along with sausages and refreshments. Tickets will be \$8 at the door and \$7 in advance for adults 13 and older and \$5 at the door and \$4 in advance for children ages 6 to 12. Admission for the event will be free for children 5 and younger. Sponsorship opportunities for businesses are available by emailing Kiwanian Donna Siders at donnasiders@hotmail.com or calling 260-571-1892. For more information, email keaffaberm@msdwc.k12.in.us.

Red Cross schedules blood donation opportunity for June 6

The Red Cross has scheduled a blood donation opportunity from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, June 6 at Scotty’s Bar, 780 Manchester Ave.

Woman’s Clubhouse hopes to pick up 2020-2021 schedule in August

Out of an abundance of caution, the Woman’s Clubhouse will not meet for its final luncheon of the 2019-2020 season in June. The group will send the 2020-2021 program and luncheon schedule in August for the new year and they will vote on officers for the new calendar year in September. Anyone who would like to nominate someone for an office should call Ellen Stouffer at 260-571-5339. The group needs a volunteer to take over the membership organization. For more information, call Carol McDonald at 260-563-2331.

Registration for annual Dam to Dam Century Ride and new triathlon now open

Visit Wabash County has announced registration for the Dam to Dam Century Ride and the DAM(N)MAN! triathlon is now open. D!M! will take place on the same day as the Dam to Dam Century Ride – Sunday, Sept. 13 – and will incorporate the newest and longest 150-mile bike route, plus a 3.1-mile swim and will end with a 31-mile run. The early bird registration fee for the bike ride is \$40 through May 31, however, attendees can use promo code D2DSAVE10 to save \$10 for a limited time. The price increases to \$50 beginning June 1. The registration fee for the triathlon is \$135, however, participants can use promo code DMSAVE40 to save \$40 for a limited time. For more information, visit www.visitwabashcounty.com/adventure-series or call 260-563-7171.

Indiana 105 bridge at Salamonie Lake closed

Salamonie Lost Bridge West and East state recreation areas are accessible only from the south. To access Indiana 105 on the north side of the bridge, from the south of the bridge heading north on Indiana 105, the official detour will be Indiana 124 to Indiana 9 to Highway 24. The entire bridge deck will be removed and replaced. The bridge, and road, is scheduled to re-open Sunday, Nov. 15.

Closings announced due to COVID-19 concerns

■ **Access Youth Center:** All scheduled after school and weekend programming is canceled until further notice. ■ **BMV: Wabash branch of the Indiana Bureau of Motor Vehicles (BMV)** is open by appointment only between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Saturday at 1679 N. Cass St. The phone number is 888-692-6841 and the lines are open from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. weekdays. For more information, visit <https://www.in.gov/bmv/4363.htm>. ■ **Community Foundation of Wabash County:** Individuals with questions may email patty@cfwabash.org or julie@cfwabash.org, or call 260-982-4824. ■ **Division of Family Resources:** Offices closed until further notice. Visit the FSSA benefits portal at www.fssabenefits.in.gov. DFR staff is available by phone at 800-403-0864 to provide customer service from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. Clients may also continue to send documents to DFR via mail at P.O.

Box 1810, Marion, IN 46952.

■ **Farm Service Agency:** County offices are open in Indiana by phone appointment only until further notice, and staff is available to continue helping agricultural producers with program signups, loan servicing and other important actions. Call 260-563-7486. ■ **Honeywell Foundation:** All events at foundation properties including the Honeywell Center, Honeywell House, Eagles Theatre, Dr. James Ford Historic Home and Charley Creek Gardens are suspended until further notice. ■ **Living Well in Wabash County:** The Community Cupboard pantry will operate as a drive-through with regular pantry hours, which are from 3 to 5 p.m. Mondays and Tuesdays; closed Wednesdays; and open from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Thursdays and Fridays. Senior lunches at Winchester Senior Center will be operated as a drive-through at the front door of the senior center from 11 to 11:30 a.m. Monday through Friday. Lunch reservations continue to require 48 business hours of reservations. Seniors age 60 and older wanting a lunch must call Winchester Senior Center at 260-563-4475. ■ **North Manchester Public Library:** Library patrons may place material requests online on the library website by visiting www.nman.lib.in.us or by calling 260-982-4773. The first pick up day will be Monday, May 11 from noon to 4 p.m. The library will loan out books, DVDs, laptops, WiFi hotspots and iPads to all card-holding patrons. Patrons will be limited to 10 items per car. Due dates and fines are as follows: Books: Three-week check out, no late fees; DVDs: Three days for new DVDs (with yellow tape), one week for old DVDs (without yellow tape) and a \$5 late fee per day, per item; WiFi Hotspots: One-week check-out and a \$5 late fee per day; and Laptops and iPads: 24-hour check out, \$25 late fee per day. Pick Up days will from noon to 4 p.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Any requested items will be available for pick up on the next pick up day. ■ **The North Manchester Center for History:** Temporarily closed to the public. The Crossroads: Change in Rural America exhibit is available through video on the NHCH Facebook page at www.facebook.com/North-ManchesterHistory. ■ **Roann Paw Paw Township Public Library:** Curbside pickup began Monday, May 4. ■ **Wabash Carnegie Public Library:** WCPL patrons may request print or audiobooks by phone or online. Orders can be picked up at the Hill Street entrance of the library. Curbside service will be available from noon to 4 p.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Orders will be labeled in bags and left on a table in front of the library at a scheduled time. Any orders not delivered by 4 p.m. on the assigned day will be canceled and the items will be re-shelved. For more information, call 260-563-2972. ■ **Wabash City Hall:** The public will be restricted from entering the building unless they have a pre-arranged appointment and they must wear a face mask when they come into the building. Employees must wear a mask when interacting with the public also. Employees must maintain social distancing while at work and take all safety precautions for sanitation.

Citizens should visit www.cityofwabash.com to pay bills for wastewater, ambulance billing and building department permits. City court offers pay by phone services. Questions regarding COVID-19 can also be directed to the new email address at covid19info@cityofwabash.com. Anyone with questions should call 260-274-1485 or email mayor@cityofwabash.com. ■ **Wabash Circuit and Superior Courts and Court Services (Probation and Community Corrections divisions):** Closed to the public Wednesdays and Fridays. ■ **Wabash County Courthouse and Wabash County Health Department:** Payments and other documents for these offices may be placed in a large locked box located just inside the west basement door of the courthouse. For more information, visit www.wabashcounty.in.gov or call the Courthouse at 260-563-0661 ext. 1222. ■ **Wabash County Judicial Center:** A drop box is located outside, near the top of the stairs, for depositing payments and documents. The Wabash County Elections office may be reached at 260-563-0661 ext. 1238, Wabash County Circuit Court at 260-563-0661 ext. 1241, Wabash County Superior Court at 260-563-0661 ext. 1254, Wabash County Court Services at 260-563-8466 ext. 1276, Judicial Annex Court Security: 260-563-0661 ext. 1261 and Wabash County Clerk of the Courts: 260-563-0661 ext. 1239. ■ **Wabash County Museum:** Temporarily closed until further notice. ■ **Wabash County Solid Waste Management District:** 24/7 drop sites at 1101 Manchester Ave. and at the Hardware in North Manchester will remain open for regular recycling. For more information, call 260-563-7649. ■ **Woman’s Clubhouse:** Closed until further notice. ■ **WorkOne:** Closed until further notice. Contact staff by phone at the Wabash location at 260-563-8421. ■ **Winchester Senior Center:** All daily activities suspended until further notice.

New dates, postponements, cancellations set for Honeywell Center, Eagles Theatre events

■ **Honeywell Center:** Hairball rescheduled for Friday, Sept. 18. Big Bad Voodoo Daddy will be rescheduled but does not yet have a set date. “Finding Neverland” has been canceled and ticket holders will receive an email with information regarding their refund. ■ **Honeywell House:** Cabaret!!!, Dinner Chamber Series “Opus Two,” Conversations on Renovation and Eagles Theatre Ballroom Dances into the Future will be rescheduled, but does not yet have a set date. ■ **Eagles Theatre:** Top of the Charts rescheduled for Thursday, June 18. Tribute to John Denver rescheduled for Thursday, July 23. Buckets N Boards will be rescheduled but does not yet have a set date.

Editor’s note: If you have an upcoming event to submit, please send it by email to news@wabashplainedealer.com no later than five days before the event itself. Please use complete sentences, Associated Press style and Microsoft Word or PDF file formats.

MSD releases end-of-year equipment drop-off, purchase times

Students may buy their own devices during the collection dates

STAFF REPORT

MSD has released its iPad and MacBook drop-off and purchase times, according to Mike Keafaber, superintendent.

MSD will begin the collection of student Macbooks, iPads and chargers from:

- 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Wednesday, May 13 at all schools.
- 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 13 at all Grab-and-Go breakfast and meal pack pick up sites.
- Noon to 6 p.m. Thursday,

May 14 at all schools.

■ 9 a.m. to noon Friday, May 15 at all schools.

“We are offering the chance for all of our students to purchase their device at the time of collection,” stated Keaffaber.

This purchase opportunity is only available at Southwood High School and Northfield High School drop off locations, and not at other schools or food pickup locations.

The prices are \$100 for iPads and \$230 for the 11-inch MacBook Airs.

Payment is due when turning in your device. Only cash will be accepted as payment. Students will need to leave their device at school so all school data is cleared off the device. Student purchased devices are available for pickup on June 1

at Northfield and Southwood high schools.

“If a student still owes textbook or damage fees, they are ineligible to purchase their device,” stated Keaffaber.

Students may purchase devices from:

- 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Wednesday, May 13 at Northfield and Southwood high schools.
- Noon to 6 p.m. Thursday, May 14 at Northfield and Southwood high schools.
- 9 a.m. to noon Friday, May 15 at Northfield and Southwood high schools.

Keaffaber stated devices are sold “as-is.”

“The MacBooks and iPads are sold for personal use and are not replacements for future school-issued

devices,” stated Keaffaber. “At the high school collections sites, we ask that you stay in your vehicle and enter from our south entrance close to the dock. Someone will check in your device and ask about purchasing your student’s device.”

Keaffaber stated students taking AP exams will return their devices from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Tuesday, May 26 at Southwood and Northfield high schools.

Students may pick up and drop off all school-related possessions at the same corresponding times as the device drop-off at each of our school locations. This may include dropping off library books, textbooks, and/or other school/teacher-owned items on loan.

Students may drop these items off from:

- 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Wednesday, May 13 at all schools.
- Noon to 6 p.m. Thursday, May 14 at all schools.
- 9 a.m. to noon Friday, May 15 at all schools.

Instructions on how to pick up items for students based on grade are as follows:

- Elementary: Parents will pull up to the designated doors at each elementary building. Staff will bring student belongings to the vehicle. Parents will return any school/teacher-owned materials to staff members.
- Secondary: Students enter the main entrance. Drop off school/teacher-owned materials in the atrium/arcade. Students proceed to their school locker and athletic locker to pick up possessions.

Some COVID-19-related educational resources available

STAFF REPORT

MSD continues Grab-and-Go breakfast and lunch packs

Although the 2019-2020 school year has ended for students, meals will continue for the next two weeks. The remaining meal pick-up dates are May 13, 18 and 20.

IDOE announces at-home learning initiative

The Indiana Department of Education (IDOE), in partnership with Indiana Public Broadcasting Stations (IPBS), announced Monday a partnership to offer at-home learning experiences for K-12 students, aligned to Indiana curriculum standards. Developed with the input of educators, PBS LearningMedia offers free, Indiana standards-aligned resources contextualized for educational use. The resources include grab-and-go activities, lesson plans, interactive

lessons and media that illustrate specific topics or themes, and support materials across multiple subjects. For more information and access to PBS LearningMedia, visit www.pbslearningmedia.org. To view current schedules for the grade level and subject programming, as well as correlating materials, please visit www.doe.in.gov/elearn_ing/2020-covid-19-remote-learning. Also, you can visit the IPBS website of the TV station nearest you. For a map of regional IPBS television stations, please visit www.doe.in.gov/sites/default/files/news/ipbs-tv-locator-map-040320.pdf.

MSD lunch balances to be distributed

All lunch balances for MSD students will roll over to next year. For seniors, balances will be transferred to siblings' accounts. In the event there is no sibling at an MSD school, balances of \$5 or greater will be refunded via mail the week of May 18.

Educators creating face shields for medical staff

Administrators and instructors at the Heartland Career Center have been working to produce face shields for hospital and medical staff, a component of the personal protective equipment, or PPE. Anyone interested in the project may email mhobbs@hcc.k12.in.us.

Access Youth Center offers free lunch sack on weekdays at two spots

The Access Youth Center's Drive-Thru will be open from 4 to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday and feature a lunch sack of snacks, protein and fruit provided at the door. Both locations will be open during this time: One on the south side, New Journey Community Church, 1721 N. Vernon St. and one downtown at the AYC headquarters at 74 W. Canal St. For more information, visit www.accessyouthcenter.org or call 260-563-2070. On Mon-

days, Pizza King will provide pizza for both locations.

Manchester University accepting campus food pantry donations

The pantry serves 20 to 25 students a week. Donations may be made at <https://www.manchester.edu/alumni/campus-pantry-donation-form>.

Manchester University offers free, online pharmacy camp

Manchester University has moved its summer pharmacy camp online in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. High school and college students considering pharmacy as a career are invited to attend MU Virtual Pharmacy Week, July 14 to 17. It is free, and any student with an interest in the health sciences is welcome. The deadline to sign up is July 12. More information is available at www.manchester.edu/virtualpharmacyweek. For ques-

tions regarding MU Virtual Pharmacy Week, email pharmacy@manchester.edu.

NMPL reschedules St. Paddy's Golden Egg Hunt

The free, all-ages event, now a “Summer Reading Themed Egg Hunt,” has been rescheduled for 10 a.m. on Saturday, June 13 at the North Manchester Public Library.

Manchester Univ. moves Commencement to fall

The dates for ceremonies at the North Manchester campus are Oct. 17, Pharmacy Hooding ceremony and Graduate and Professional Commencement (Doctorate in Pharmacy, Master of Athletic Training and Master of Pharmacogenomics) at Cordier Auditorium; and Sunday, Oct. 18, Undergraduate and Master of Accountancy Commencement. Physical Education and Recreation Center (PERC).

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